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INTRODUCTION.

THE following list has been prepared as a preliminary guide to the selection of 100 representative New Zealand books. They are not the 100 best books, as in some classes books have been included which, whilst they represent that class fairly well, are not such well-written books as many that have been omitted from other classes. The different classes attract different kinds of writers and readers; and the books selected, whilst naturally on very different literary levels, are all informative.

Three classes appear to have attracted writers much more than others—science, description, and history. It will be noted that the best descriptive books have, with one or two exceptions, been written by visitors; most of them are out of print. Presumably New-Zealanders themselves know their own land so well that they do not recognize the necessity for writing about it, except, perhaps, from an historical point of view; and in the history class it will be noted that the best books are written by New-Zealanders. Science, too, has attracted quite a number of local writers; they have no doubt been attracted by the unique fauna, flora, and physical character of their country. These writings are generally on a high level of excellence. The Maori has always attracted writers, but the best are the most recent, from the fact that it has been New-Zealanders living among the Maori or in contact with them who have most keenly perceived their true qualities and high endowments. Of pure literature the output has not been of highest quality, though abundant in quantity. There is a great reading public in New Zealand, one index being the fact that a total population of a little over a million supports 297 newspaper publications, of which 61 are daily, 103 monthly, the remainder periodical between daily and monthly. Three periodicals—the Government Official Year-book, the *Transactions of the New Zealand Institute*, and the *Journal of the Polynesian Society*—have been included in the list of books because of their general excellence.

In the list an indication has been made of the books written by New-Zealanders, of those published in New Zealand, and of those that are out of print and only procurable from dealers. Those men are reckoned as New-Zealanders who have had their education here, or have spent the greater part of their life within the Dominion; some in the list who are not regarded as New-Zealanders for purposes of the list are really New-Zealanders through having identified themselves with the Islands and their people.

A little has been written on sociological questions, including a few good books; but New-Zealanders won a name for boldly experimenting in and legislating for social problems rather than for writing about them. There is, however, a huge pamphlet literature dealing with these questions, and many of the pamphlet publications are of extreme value; in the early days of settlement pamphleteering was largely essay-writing, and many of these early pamphlets rank high as literature. They are difficult to procure now, but are indispensable to students of history. None could, however, be included in a short list such as this, which is intended rather for the general reader than for the student or expert.

The price at which books still in print may be obtained has been inserted, also the price those out of print fetch at auction. Occasionally these may be secured at lower figures—often they fetch considerably more. Books obtainable from the Government Printer have the letters (G.P.) after the price.

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